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E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: ETRD, GATT  
SUBJECT: MTN: FEBRUARY 6 SEVEN PLUS SEVEN MEETING

1. SUMMARY: FINAL SEVEN PLUS SEVEN MEETING PRIOR TO TNC RETURNED TO EARLIER DISCUSSIONS IN CONTEXT OF SCENARIO FOR TNC MEETING. REPS AGREED TO DG LONG'S PROCEDURAL SUGGESTIONS AND PROMISED TNC STATEMENTS WILL GIVE SPECIFIC VIEWS ON NEGOTIATING OBJECTIVES. INCLUSIVE DISCUSSION ON INITIAL NEGOTIATING TASKS, GROUS AND DURATION OF TNC. END SUMMARY.

2. MAIN FOCUS OF SUBJECT MEETING WAS QUOTE SCENARIO UNQTE FOR NEXT WEEK'S TNC MEETING. LONG INDICATED HIS INTRODUCTORY SPEECH WOULD EMPHASIZE THAT "THE TNC IS NOW IN BUSINESS,". THAT NEGOTITING STAGE HAS BEGUN HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT EACH DELEGATION WILL INCLUDE INITIAL STATEMENT SYNOPSIS OF MAJOR NEGOTIATING AIMS AND WILL AVOID RHETORIC AND GENERAL DISCUSSION OF PRINCIPLES. LONG AGAIN REQUESTED THAT OPENING STATEMENTS BE HELD TO FIFTEEN MINUTES EACH AND REQUESTED EXPRESSION OF PREFERENCES FROM DELS ON ORDER OF SPEAKING. HE ALSO AGAIN PROPOSED THAT PARA 2 OF GATT/AIR/1134 (GENEVA 397) HBE AGENDA FOR TNC MEETING.

3. RESPONSE WAS PERFUNCTORY AGREEMENT WITH LONG PROPOSALS AND SOME REVIEW OF POSITIONS BY ALL REPS WHO SPOKE (CANADA, NORIDCS, JAPAN, AUSTRIA, NEW ZEALAND, SWITZERLAND, MEXICO, AUSTRALIA-U.S.). WE INDICATED WE HAD GIVEN 7 PLUS 7 PREVIEW OF OUR TNC SPEECH DURING RECENT MEETINGS, THAT IT INTENDED HELP GIVE MTN RAPID START ON BROAD FRONT INVOLVING MAXIMUM NUMBER OF COUNTRIES, AND THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OUTCOME OF ITS TNC MEETING OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO BOTH INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC INTERESTS (CITED CONGRESSIONAL PRESENCE ON U.S. DEL AND REFERENCETO QUOTE CRITICAL NEGOTIATIONS UNQTE ON TRADE IN PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ECONOMIC MESSAGE).

4. AUSTRALIA INSISTED THAT FOURTH AGENDA ITEM QTE OTHER BUSINESS UNQTE BE ADDED SO AS NOT TO PREVENT POSSIBILITY

OF SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION ON ANY PARTICULAR SUBJECT.  
MOST REPS THOUGHT AGENDA ALREADY FLEXIBLE ENOUGH BUT DID  
NOT OBJECT TO AUSTRALIAN REQUEST.

5. LONG THEN ASKED WHETHER SECOND AGENDA ITEM ("LIST  
OF ISSUES") WOULD LEAD TO PRODUCTIVE DISCUSSION AND  
RESULTS AFTER INITIAL DEL STATEMENTS PUT ON RECORD. HE SAW  
TROPICAL PRODUCTS AS ONE OBVIOUS WORK AREA -- WHAT WERE  
OTHER POSSIBILITIES? RESPONSE FROM REPS, MAINLY CANADA,  
QUICKLY MOVED INTO QUESTION OF STRUCTURE AND GROUPS  
(THIRD AGENDA ITEM). DG THOUGHT VARIOUS KINDS OF GROUPS  
POSSIBLE, E.G., RESEARCH, EXPLORATORY, NEGOTIATING, ETC.  
CANADA THOUGHT BEST APPROACH WOULD BE AVOID SUCH DESIGNA-  
TIONS BUT SET UP GROUPS TO HANDLE IDENTIFIED TASKS AND  
LET GROUPS EVOLVE TO NEGOTIATIONS AS APPROPRIATE. U.S.,  
SEEKING TO END DISCUSSION SPECIFIC GROUPS, SAID PRAGMATIC  
APPROACH SUCH AS CANADIAN WAS PROBABLY BEST BUT MORE  
IMPORTANT CURRENT QUESTION WAS WHETHER LIST OF WORK  
ITEMS COULD BE DRAWN UP AT TIME OF NEXT WEEK'S MEETING.  
WE THOUGHT GOOD START ON LIST WAS ALREADY POSSIBLE AND  
MORE CONSENSUS LIKELY NEXT WEEK. WITH GOOD LIST  
IN HAND, WE WOULD HAVE TO RETURN TO QUESTION OF GROUPS.

6. RE OTHER PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS, LONG INDICATED DURA-  
TION NEXT WEEK'S MEETING INDEFINITE ALTHOUGH FEELING  
AMONG DELS SEEMS TO BE THAT NO MORE THAN TWO OR THREE  
DAYS IS LIKELY. DG NOTED THAT FUTURE TNC SESSIONS MAY  
OFTEN NEED TO "PAUSE" FOR SEVERAL DAYS OR BE CONVENABLE  
ON SHORT NOTICE; THIS ARGUES STRONGLY FOR FULL-STRENGTH  
PERMANENT MTN DELS IN GENEVA ASAP. LONG ALSO REMINDED  
GROUP THAT QUESTION OF UNCTAD'S PARTICIPATION IN TNC  
AND ITS RELATION TO THE VARIOUS WORKING GROUPS WILL  
HAVE TO BE DECIDED AT THE NEXT TNC MEETING.DALE  
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